

Primary Strategies Class February 2018

Class names for valentines:

-Nevaeh, Ryder, Cane, Sam, Hunter, Ayden, Chase, and Owen

Staff names for valentines:

-Mrs. Ruigrok, Mrs. Wood, Mrs. Chevrier, Mrs. Duliban-Gee (prep. teacher), Mr. Shirton and Mrs. Mowat (Learning Resource teachers)



This month,

- ✚ We will continue to enjoy listening to Charlie and the Chocolate Factory read aloud by Mrs. Ruigrok.
- ✚ The grade threes are preparing for the upcoming EQAO testing by reading, answering multiple choice questions and writing responses.
- ✚ Personal Narratives and Cartooning will be a focus in our journals.
- ✚ Our study of life cycles will continue as our mealworms begin to transform from larva into pupa. Hopefully, we will have some adult beetles before the month ends.
- ✚ We will be going back in time to learn about the European settlers who came to Ontario approximately 200 years ago. We will use video, books and hands on experience to enrich our learning
- ✚ On February 26, a scientist will be visiting our class to help us learn more about forces. The workshop lasts for 2 ½ hours and will explain about forces, such as magnetic force.
- ✚ Our learning about coding has wrapped up and it is time to dust off our Lego Robotics kits.
- ✚ Hoping to also find time to talk about the upcoming Winter Olympics!!

Strategy Work for February includes:

- Taking a deep breath to calm down, etc.
- Considering the size of the problem before reacting- match your reaction to the size of the problem
- Flexible thinking vs. Stuck thinking
- The seven values associated with the Olympics. These are made up of three Olympic values
 - Friendship, Respect and Excellence - along with the four Paralympic values
 - Determination, Inspiration, Courage and Equality.



Upcoming.....

- ✓ February 2-Groundhog Day
- ✓ February 9-school wide head lice check
- ✓ February 12-Leader of the Pack Assembly 9:30 a.m.
- ✓ February 14-Valentine's Day
- ✓ February 15-Thompson Creek's annual Movie Night-look for details on the school's website
- ✓ February 16-Olympic Day-school wide activities planned for students and wear red and white
- ✓ February 19- Family Day holiday
- ✓ February 26-Scientist in the School program for our class- a scientist visits and helps us with our learning

Happy Valentine's Day from Mrs. R, Mrs. C and Mrs. W